Conference explores link between research and social policies

A conference designed to explore ways that social science research can influence public policy will be held April 3 to 5 at Washington University. The invitational conference is titled "Social Policies and Research on Human Values."

During the conference, prominent scholars from across the country will speak at sessions titled "Meeting the Needs of the Dependent Elderly and Their Caregivers;" "Family Planning: Individual Rights and Social Policies;" and "Social Justice Research housed at the University." It will address the influence public policy will have on the research and social policies that are in the making.

The University announced that with John A. Stern, Ph.D., chair and Stuckenberg Professor of Human Development and Research in the School of Education and Human Development, and Tracy Coe, doesn't fall for his charms and tries to capture some of the best research capture some of the best research.

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Chancellor's letter to the community

March 16, 1992

To The University Community:

Financial pressures should link to provide the University community a brief status report on our current financial condition and administration. As most readers will remember from earlier communications, the University's financial condition is not ideal, and the lower tuition increases and tight federal and state budgets. The central administration must turn, adapt to the financial realities faced by the schools. Like other institutions, Washington University must live within the restraints society places on us, but the changes of the University community have responded to this challenge in positive, cooperative ways and I am very grateful.

The budgeting process in the schools and in the Campus Fiscal Unit (CFU) is under way. In the CFU, methods have been worked out to plan expenses to fit next year's expenses into a reduced budget. Many CFU areas have completed their planning and are implementing the necessary changes. The process for the academic year will continue through this month. The schools on the Hilltop Campus will complete their budgeting by the end of this year.

A major concern is, of course, the financial future of the University. I invite you to share with you what is known thus far about employment changes. The Human Resources Office reports that since Jan. 1, 1992, 14 CFU positions have been eliminated. Many of the positions eliminated individuals have been notified. For those interested in remaining at the University, efforts have been made to place them in positions open elsewhere on the campus. Department heads have been cooperative in considering these individuals for open positions. It is still too early to know the final results. When appropriate, severance arrangements have been specified.

As other units complete their budgeting, there will be further consolidation in the number of positions. Where possible, units plan to meet their budget targets by not filling openings caused by retirement or other departures from the University. We hope that units have been considering this option. You must decide how best to deal with the financial realities and provide the necessary services of high quality.

The moment, our best estimate is that in between Jan. 1 and July 1, 1992, approximately 38-46 full-time and seven part-time non-faculty positions on the Hilltop Campus (CFU and schools) which are currently filled might be eliminated. In addition, approximately 12-13 full-time and two-part-time Hilltop non-faculty positions which are currently unfilled might be eliminated. The situation for the coming year will become clearer within the next few weeks as final budgets are completed.

Some have wondered about the introduction of a general salary freeze. Salaries and other compensation of this year will go as budgets back in line. They are, however, short-term fixes rather than long-term solutions to the financial realities. In the long run, salaries must be maintained at the self-employment level. It is particularly important that salaries at the lower end of the scale keep up with the fast rate of cost of living. To ease the situation in the next year, the salaried of the Chancellor, the Provost, the Executive Vice Chancellor and the Vice Chancellor will be frozen. I am grateful to these individuals for working with the group to keep salaries constant, but a similar approach is not recommended generally.

A word about rumors. Rumors are understandable in a situation in which budgets must be reduced and the effects are not yet fully known. I ask those faculty and staff members to pass them on to those most likely to be knowledgeable about the matter and be most readily verified or put to rest. I hope also that individual concerns will be shared with supervisors and managers.

I appreciate the good will of everyone who is working to help the University face the current challenges. The budgeting process demands the best and most creative thinking from everyone in the University community. Difficult decisions must be made about our priorities. Since everything we do is worthwhile and important, we will be thankful. We must help each other to make good decisions and to implement them wisely and with sensitivity. I am convinced that by working together we can maintain the financial resources of the University.

In addition to the fact that the University is not able to continue at the rates of the past decade and that federal educational support is not growing at rates of past years, another in-come source may be lower.

Sports sociologist encourages excellence

Harry Edwards, a sports sociologist at the University of California, Berkeley, will deliver the Omicron Delta Kappa Honors lecture at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 25, in Graham Chapel. His talk, titled "Pursuing the Dream: With Your Eyes Open," is part of the University's Honors program and is free and open to the public.

Edwards hosts "Social issues," a weekly interview and commentary program for radio station KALW, College of San Francisco—49ers football team, the Golden Bears and the Warriors basketball team, and former and current athletes.

His show is the "Charles Payne:(continues from p. 1)

The University and the U.S. Depart- ment of Health and Human Services (HHS) are negotiating indirect cost rates. In 1992, the University's rate was 63 percent. The 1991 recovery base rate for indirect research costs was 62 percent. Examples of reclassified indirect costs are professional research that the government pays help defray and accounting administrative costs, libraries, heat, light, power, maintenance and depreciation on buildings and equipment.

The indirect cost recovery rate has not yet been set for this year or for future years. Where it has been set at other universities, the rate has been low.

While the University's endowment, which is one of the country's healthiest at $1.47 billion, does provide important income that increases each year, it is not enough to offset other factors listed above. Moreover, endowment income often is restricted by donors for such purposes as scholarships, professorships or capital projects. Unrestricted endowment income often is spent by the schools, accounts for only a very small portion of annual operating revenue.

Facing challenges

CFU departments have approached the department budgeting process in constructive and helpful ways. I am very grateful.

While noting that the University faces challenges, Chancellor Danforth said in his November letter, as reassur- ingly as possible: "Washington University has a bright and exciting future. In nearly every state, the University is recognized as one of the nation's strongest institutions, is entrusted by our society with important missions including educating the leaders of tomorrow and managing the nation's research and scholarly endeavors. Our task will not go away."

Lawrence D. Steefel, professor emeritus of art history, dies

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Spanish architecture focus of exhibit

The School of Architecture is hosting an exhibit featuring the works of the late architect Jose Antonio Codrigh and photographer Francesa Catllo-Roca. The exhibit, titled "Jose Antonio Codrigh and Catllo-Ugalde (1951) Photographs by Francesa Catllo-Roca," is on display through April 17 on the first floor of Givens Hall.

The exhibit, considered by Frank Lloyd Wright to be the best contemporary Spanish architect, was a native of Barcelona. Catllo-Roca also from Barcelona, is an architectural photographer who has photographed all of Codrigh's work for publication.

This is the first U.S. exhibition of Codrigh's design of the Casa Ugalde. The house, considered one of the pivotal pieces of contemporary Spanish architecture, is Codrigh's masterpiece.

Codrigh examined the relationship of the photographs to architecture as a means of representation. The photographs by Catllo-Roca were selected by Codrigh for publication in Gio Ponti's Domus and Alberto Sartorio's Encyclopedie de l'Architecture Nouvelle, which was published in the 1950s. The Casa Ugalde's international reputation was built upon the publication of these images.

In addition to Catllo-Roca's photographs, the exhibit also includes documentation of the architectural drawings and sketches of the Casa Ugalde. The exhibit will travel to various schools of architecture in the United States. The curator of the exhibit is the director of the Washington University School of Architecture, a retired professor of architecture at the university. A retrospective exhibition of Codrigh's architecture recently was exhibited in Paris and a monograph was published by Gustavo Gili in 1989, titled "Jose Antonio Codrigh de Sentmenat 1913-1984."
March 19-28

Lectures

Thursday, March 19

11:30 a.m. Departmental and Pharn- macology Seminar, "Using Retinoids to Study Embryonic Development," Donald Stumpf, WU prof. of pharmacology and of pediatrics. 1123 Stumpf Hall.


4 p.m. Assembly Series Presents the Foreign Language World/Motor Board with John M. Wrigley, junior, by WU Chaplain

Friday, March 20


5 p.m. Immunology Research Conference for Human Health Care. Panelists: Helen T. Meyers, WU prof. of biochemistry; George Demetriou, WU assoc. prof. of medicine, and Charles B. Thomas, Jr., WU prof. of medicine. 116 Van Cott Hall.

Wednesday, March 25

11 a.m. Dept. of Biology Seminar, "The Physical Properties of a Nuclear Encoded Light-Stress Protein (ELIP)," Jean Dubessy, Center for Uranium Research, Nancy, France, and visiting scientist. 1225 E. Pine Blvd., Forest Park.

4 p.m. Dept. of Anatomy and Neurobiology Seminar, "The Pathogenetic Mechanisms of Shiga-Like Toxin Experiments and College Editor, Antioch College; Susan R. Spence, prof. of languages and literatures Chinese Film Series. 3241 Lookout Point, Clayton.

7 p.m. Dept. of Mathematics Presents a Colloquium, "The Sheldon Concert Hall, 3648 Washington Ave.

Thursday, March 26
9:30 a.m. Dept. of Biology Presents an International Executive Seminar, "Doing Business in Ecuador," with positive outcomes and opportunities," panalists: Timothy J. Neufeld, WU prof. of political sciences; Andrea DelGrosso; Martha Goren, WU prof. of political sciences; and John E. West, Wylie. 1115 Volker Hall.

11 a.m. Dept. of Biology Presents a Colloquium, "The Graph of Sex and the German Text: A New Approach to the understanding," Janey Archey, adjunct faculty, U. of Missouri. Mallinckrodt Center for the Humanities.

2:30 p.m. School of Fine Arts and the Contemporary Jazz Society, St. Louis Public Library, 3646 Washington Ave.

Saturday, March 21
7 p.m. Dept. of Music Presents a Piano Recital with Violinist Yumi Hwang, WU grad. student. Room 201 Fine Arts Bldg., Fontbonne College. Free. For info., call 935-5916.

Sunday, March 22
4 p.m. Dept. of Vocal Music Recital with Lara Calabrese, WU junior, by WU prof. of music. 1171 W. Compson Boulevard.

EXHIBITIONS

"Columbus of the Woods: Daniel Boone and the Myth of Manifest Destiny," Through March 27, Galley of Art, lower gallery, Sheafer Library. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. For more info., call 935-5490.

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